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Correction of the records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office and issuance of a corrected filing receipt are respectfully solicited.

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**Assignment For Published Patent Application**

The Government of the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Rockville, MD

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**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**

This application is a 371 of PCT/US05/04076 02/08/2005  
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Venous Filters

**Preliminary Class**

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